

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

DYSON TECHNOLOGY LIMITED
and DYSON, INC.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

MAYTAG CORPORATION,

Defendant.

Civil Action No. 05-434 GMS

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VERSION

AFFIDAVIT OF CHRIS STATHOPOULOS IN SUPPORT OF DEFENDANT HOOVER,
INC.'S MOTION *IN LIMINE* TO BAR EVIDENCE RELATING TO HOOVER
ADVERTISING AND SUBSTANTIATION

I, CHRIS STATHOPOULOS, being duly sworn, hereby depose and say:

1. I am an attorney for Defendant/Counterclaim Plaintiff Hoover, Inc. ("Hoover"), in the above matter. I have personal knowledge of the facts set forth in this affidavit, which is filed in support of Hoover's Motion *in Limine* to Bar Evidence Relating to Hoover Advertising and Substantiation.

2. Attached hereto as Exhibit A is a true and correct copy of the December 5, 2006 Joint Discovery Teleconference Letter filed by the parties.

3. Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a true and correct copy of the transcript of the December 7, 2006 Discovery Teleconference at 46-52.

4. Attached hereto as Exhibit C is a true and correct copy of the Court's Standing Order entitled "Discovery Dispute Resolution," at <http://www.ded.uscourts.gov/GMSmain.htm>.

5. Attached hereto as Exhibit D is a true and correct copy of the transcript of the February 2, 2007 Discovery Teleconference at 3-5.

6. Attached hereto as Exhibit E is a true and correct copy of the February 16, 2007 Joint Discovery Teleconference Letter filed by both parties at 1.

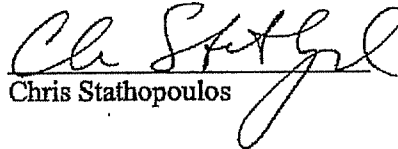
7. Attached hereto as Exhibit F is a true and correct copy of the transcript of the February 20-21, 2007 Discovery Teleconference at 73-79.

8. Attached hereto as Exhibit G is a true and correct copy of Dyson's Statement of Contested Law and Facts ¶¶ 191-195.

9. Attached hereto as Exhibit H is a true and correct copy of referenced excerpts of the report of Itamar Simonson.

10. Attached hereto as Exhibit I is a true and correct copy of referenced excerpts of the report of Victor Polansky.

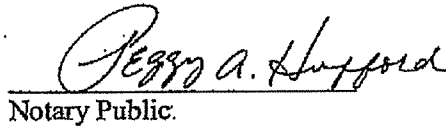
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Chris Stathopoulos

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State of Illinois

Sworn to and subscribed in my presence this 16 day of April 2007


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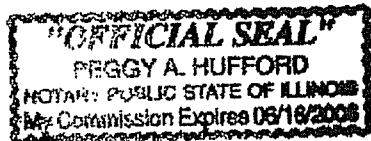


Exhibit A



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December 5, 2006

BY ELECTRONIC FILING

The Honorable Gregory M. Sleet
United States District Court
for the District of Delaware
844 N. King Street
Wilmington, Delaware 19801

Re: *Dyson Tech. Ltd. et al. v. Maytag Corp.*, Civ. Nos. 05-434-GMS and 06-654-GMS

Dear Judge Sleet:

In anticipation of the discovery teleconference scheduled for December 7, 2006, at 11 a.m. EST, the parties jointly submit the below items to be presented to the Court. The parties respectfully suggest that they alternate presentation of their issues at the teleconference.

A. Defendant/Counterclaimant's Issues (issues relate to Case 05-434-GMS unless otherwise indicated)

1. Plaintiffs' Failure to Produce Documents on the Following Topics as Requested in Defendant's Requests for the Production of Documents:
 - a. Documents in the Control or Custody of James Dyson
 - b. Illegible or Incomplete Consumer Complaint Documents
 - c. Communications with Third Parties, Including but not Limited to Documents Relating to Sears, Roebuck and Co. Sales Today Magazine and Best Buy's Toolkit Internal Web Site
 - d. Communications with Third Parties, Including but not Limited to Communications with Sears Regarding Sears' Disbelief of the Validity of Any of Plaintiffs' Advertising Claims
 - e. Documents that Dyson had Unilaterally Redacted
 - f. Plaintiffs' Ownership and Control
 - g. Plaintiffs' Audited Financials
 - h. Plaintiffs' Prior False Advertising Disputes in the U.S. and Elsewhere

- i. Data Relating to the Return, Repair, Replacement or Refurbishing of Plaintiffs' Vacuums
 - j. Home-use and Field Testing of Plaintiffs' Vacuums
 - k. Plaintiffs' Vacuum Cleaners in Development
 - l. Floor Surfaces Consumers Buy Vacuums to Clean
 - m. Plaintiffs' Guidelines for Interaction with Advertising, Marketing and Public Relations Firms
 - n. Internal Correspondence Regarding Document Retention in Anticipation of this Litigation
2. Plaintiffs' Failure to Respond to Defendant's Second Set of Interrogatories
 3. Extension of Deadline for Serving Experts' Reports to Thirty Days After Completion of Final Fact-Witness Deposition
 5. Hearing Date for Defendant's Motion for Temporary Restraining Order and Preliminary Injunction
 6. Discovery and Briefing Schedule for Plaintiff's Motion for a Preliminary Injunction in Case No. 06-654-GMS

B. Plaintiff/Counterclaim Defendant's Issues:

1. Discovery Relating to Maytag's No Loss of Suction Claim
2. Scope of Waiver of Attorney-Client Privilege in Defense of Willful Infringement
3. Documents Relating to Financials; Customer Repairs; and Testing
4. Deposition Conduct of Counsel for Maytag
5. Dyson's Amended 30(b)(6) Notice
6. Issuance of a Third-party Document Subpoena after the Close of Written Discovery
7. Defendant's Interrogatory Responses.

Respectfully submitted,


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11 Wilmington, Delaware
12 Thursday, December 7, 2006
13 2:00 p.m.
14 Telephone Conference
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16 BEFORE: HONORABLE GREGORY M. SLEET, U.S.D.C.J.

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<p>1 Josh Goldberg.</p> <p>2 THE COURT: Good morning.</p> <p>3 All right. Have you divided up the issues?</p> <p>4 MR. DIGIOVANNI: Yes, Your Honor. We requested</p> <p>5 this call initially. We have divided the issues up. We</p> <p>6 sent in the agenda. I am pleased to report that quite a few</p> <p>7 of the issues have been resolved.</p> <p>8 THE COURT: Let's go down beginning with</p> <p>9 Paragraph A and check off the issues that have been</p> <p>10 resolved.</p> <p>11 MR. DIGIOVANNI: I will ask Mr. Durchslag to</p> <p>12 assist, as we go through that.</p> <p>13 THE COURT: Okay.</p> <p>14 MR. DIGIOVANNI: A.1 lists A.1 grouping of</p> <p>15 document issues.</p> <p>16 THE COURT: They have subparagraphs. Let's</p> <p>17 identify which paragraphs are not in issue any longer.</p> <p>18 MR. DIGIOVANNI: Lisa and Steve, if you could</p> <p>19 help?</p> <p>20 MS. PARKER: The only issue that remains is</p> <p>21 home-use and field testing of plaintiffs' vacuums.</p> <p>22 THE COURT: Which letter is that?</p> <p>23 MS. PARKER: That is letter (j).</p> <p>24 THE COURT: That is the only issue remaining?</p> <p>25 MR. DIGIOVANNI: I believe also (g). Does (g)</p>	<p>1 a hearing.</p> <p>2 So we have nothing to say on Item 5.</p> <p>3 THE COURT: 6.</p> <p>4 MR. DIGIOVANNI: There is an issue, certainly.</p> <p>5 THE COURT: And Paragraph B.1.</p> <p>6 MR. SHAW: Your Honor, I believe 1 and 2 are</p> <p>7 still at issue.</p> <p>8 THE COURT: The rest have been resolved?</p> <p>9 MR. SHAW: 4 is still at issue, and a portion of</p> <p>10 3 may be. And I need to defer to my colleagues.</p> <p>11 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Actually, 3 has been</p> <p>12 resolved shortly before this call.</p> <p>13 THE COURT: Okay. 5.</p> <p>14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 5 I believe is no longer</p> <p>15 an issue. 6 is no longer at issue. And I believe 7 is no</p> <p>16 longer an issue.</p> <p>17 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: 7 is an issue as it</p> <p>18 relates to Defendant's Issue No. 2.</p> <p>19 THE COURT: So we have 7 as an issue.</p> <p>20 Let's start with A.1(h).</p> <p>21 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Did you say (h), Your</p> <p>22 Honor?</p> <p>23 THE COURT: Yes. A.1(h).</p> <p>24 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Would it be at all</p> <p>25 possible for us to start with No. A.3?</p>

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1 we will get together with Mr. Cole and Mr. Reich and be able
2 to agree on a briefing schedule.

3 THE COURT: If you can, you can.

4 Let's go to B.1.

5 MR. COLE: Your Honor, this issue relates to
6 discovery on Maytag's (inaudible) suction claim.

7 As you know, Maytag -- this implicates the other
8 case as well. I am not going to -- the fusion vacuum
9 cleaner that is being sold is being sold with a very
10 prominent advertising claim that the product offers no loss
11 of suction. Now, earlier during this very call Your Honor
12 heard a significant amount of argument from counsel for
13 Maytag that the way that Dyson substantiates its no loss of
14 suction claim in other countries is directly relevant to
15 this lawsuit, they absolutely needed that discovery.

16 During the course of discovery on this case,
17 however, Your Honor, Maytag's attorneys have resisted
18 producing any evidence or any discovery regarding Maytag's
19 own use of the very claim that they are challenging in our
20 case. We think the way they substantiate that claim is
21 absolutely relevant to their argument that our claim is
22 false. And we are seeking discovery on that. It's
23 absolutely relevant, certainly calculated to lead to the
24 admission of admissible evidence.

25 In this case, I don't see any credible argument

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1 that it is not relevant to this case.

2 THE COURT: Okay.

3 MR. ROTHSTEIN: Your Honor, on behalf of Maytag,
4 I have a number of remarks to make about that.

5 The first is, Your Honor, this is just an
6 end-run around the discovery process to obtain discovery and
7 get a free pass on discovery in the case that they
8 originally filed in New York and was subsequently
9 transferred to Delaware.

10 The claims at issue in that case are not at
11 issue in the case currently pending before Your Honor and
12 that we are on the call for here today. And any suggestion
13 to the contrary would be disingenuous.

14 Your Honor, Dyson here is just seeking to obtain
15 discovery in that matter to attempt to bolster their
16 preliminary injunction motion that they have got pending
17 before Your Honor. They have not moved on that preliminary
18 injunction. They have never brought that preliminary
19 injunction motion to Your Honor's attention. They have
20 really been hiding their heads in the sand on that issue.
21 And it was not until today, Your Honor, that Maytag forced
22 the issue to come up in front of Your Honor on their
23 preliminary injunction that that issue has even been
24 addressed in front of the Court.

25 And it's really incumbent on them, and we have

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1 repeatedly stated to Dyson, if you think that those issues
2 are relevant in the present case, then you have got to seek
3 some sort of relief from the Judge. But short of doing
4 that, it is our belief that they are just inappropriately
5 trying to get discovery on another case and just wasting
6 everybody's time trying to establish and carry their burden
7 of proof on a motion for preliminary injunction where we
8 have just gotten over that whole discussion.

9 We haven't even had our Rule 16 conference to
10 establish discovery timeliness.

11 My final point, Your Honor, is every time we ask
12 them, why do you need this discovery, their response is,
13 because it's calculated to lead to the discovery of
14 admissible evidence. That's all we get. We don't get any
15 explanation beyond that.

16 And I would just like to say in my final remark
17 that the claims are different and they haven't demonstrated
18 the claims are the same in any respect whatsoever. There is
19 some similar language, but there are some very vast
20 differences.

21 THE COURT: So a request, and I think an
22 appropriate one, that if the information sought is
23 calculated to lead to admissible evidence, then you need to
24 be more specific than just stating that in conclusory
25 language.

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1 MR. REICH: Judge, let me give you a very
2 concrete reason why we need this evidence. They are going
3 to stand in front of the jury with respect to our no loss of
4 suction claim, and they are going to attempt to undermine
5 the manner in which we substantiate that claim and the tests
6 on which we rely to substantiate that claim. I need to be
7 able to, on our part of the case, or in cross-examination,
8 say to Maytag's witnesses, okay, Mr. Witness, you are
9 critical of how we substantiate our no loss of suction
10 claim. You are critical of the testing that we rely on to
11 substantiate our no loss of suction claim. How do you
12 substantiate your no loss of suction claim and what tests do
13 you rely on to substantiate your no loss of suction claim?
14 And wouldn't it be probative if they substantiated their no
15 loss of suction claim the way we did? And wouldn't it be
16 probative if they relied on the same kind of testing that we
17 did?

18 I very much need that evidence in this case,
19 Your Honor.

20 THE COURT: All right.

21 MR. ROTHSTEIN: Your Honor, several points.
22 First of all, Maytag's advertising is not at issue in this
23 case. And they are not claiming that it is.

24 The second thing is, it's not probative how
25 Maytag substantiates its advertising in the present case

<p style="text-align: right;">50</p> <p>1 because it's Dyson's burden to prove that they have got 2 appropriate substantiation for their own advertising claims 3 and that they had that substantiation at the time that they 4 decided to make those advertising claims, which was at least 5 in the United States over four years ago.</p> <p>6 What Maytag does in its advertising is not 7 probative in any way whatsoever to how Dyson was conducting 8 itself as early as 2002 in the United States.</p> <p>9 So it's obviously just a ruse to get discovery 10 for their preliminary injunction motion and avoid their 11 responsibilities, their procedural responsibilities that 12 they should go to. They are ultimately going to get that 13 discovery, we have explained that to them in detail, when 14 they get their discovery in the transfer case. But they 15 should wait for that opportunity and not burden the parties 16 with discovery that just has absolutely no bearing on the 17 ultimate issues in this case.</p> <p>18 MR. REICH: Judge, if they are going to attack 19 the reasonableness of our substantiation, and if they are 20 going to attack the reasonableness of our testing, our 21 position is that a reasonable juror, if a reasonable juror 22 heard that their substantiation methods were the same or 23 similar to ours, or that their testing were the same or 24 similar to ours, that reasonable juror could find that our 25 substantiation of that same claim or our testing of that</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">52</p> <p>1 request.</p> <p>2 No. 2. Scope of waiver of attorney-client 3 privilege in defense of willful infringement.</p> <p>4 MR. SHAW: Your Honor, I believe this presents a 5 very discrete legal issue for Your Honor, one you have 6 probably seen before.</p> <p>7 The question here, Maytag has relied on opinions 8 of counsel on noninfringement and some aspects of invalidity 9 to defend our claim of willful infringement in the patent 10 case. The dispute between the parties is a very discrete 11 one: what is the scope of waiver that attends that opinion?</p> <p>12 It is Dyson's position that the waiver is of the 13 subject matter of the opinion and goes to all communications 14 between counsel and client as to those subjects, and also as 15 to the work product and other things that the client who 16 received that bear on the reasonableness of the client's 17 state of mind after receiving the opinion.</p> <p>18 Your Honor's last writing on this that I have 19 been able to find is from, I believe, the Mosel-Vitalic 20 case. It appears to be consistent with the rulings that 21 Judge Farnan and Judge Robinson have rendered as recently as 22 this summer, and also with the Federal Circuit's opinion in 23 the In Re EchoStar case from May, that the scope of waiver 24 does extend to the entire subject matter of the opinion. 25 Maytag, as I understand it, is relying on what I</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">51</p> <p>1 same claim was also reasonable and therefore could refuse to 2 return a verdict in favor of Maytag.</p> <p>3 THE COURT: There is a no loss of suction claim 4 in the 434 case?</p> <p>5 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes.</p> <p>6 MR. ROTHSTEIN: It is a different claim, Your 7 Honor. It is a qualified claim. The language is entirely 8 different from any of the claims that are being made by 9 Dyson in the current case.</p> <p>10 THE COURT: So you don't expect it to come up in 11 the context that Mr. Reich suggests?</p> <p>12 MR. ROTHSTEIN: I didn't follow you, Your Honor.</p> <p>13 THE COURT: In other words, the concern that Mr. 14 Reich articulates, you submit, is a straw person or straw 15 man?</p> <p>16 MR. ROTHSTEIN: I absolutely do, Your Honor.</p> <p>17 Quite frankly --</p> <p>18 THE COURT: Or red herring, whatever colloquial 19 term you want to use.</p> <p>20 MR. ROTHSTEIN: I do, Your Honor. Quite 21 frankly, what Hoover does, or is doing currently, or is not 22 doing currently, is not a proxy for what Dyson is or was 23 required to do back in 2002 when they came to the United 24 States.</p> <p>25 THE COURT: I agree. I am going to deny the</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">53</p> <p>1 will call the Judge McKelvie rule, which was first 2 articulated in the Thorn v. EMI case, and which Your Honor 3 had rejected in Elonex, and which currently Judge Jordan 4 still ascribes to. That is where will the dichotomy, which 5 is the appropriate scope of the waiver, is it Your Honor's 6 Elonex and the more recent opinions from Judge Farnan and 7 Judge Robinson? Or is it Judge McKelvie's view of the very 8 narrow scope of waiver?</p> <p>9 THE COURT: You are right, Mr. Shaw. This 10 subject has been -- this has been the subject of discussion 11 and much consideration by this Court and others, other 12 Judges on this Court.</p> <p>13 I have not changed my view.</p> <p>14 MR. DIGIOVANNI: Your Honor, if I may.</p> <p>15 THE COURT: Yes.</p> <p>16 MR. DIGIOVANNI: The Judge Jordan opinion in 17 Ampex v. Eastman Kodak, which came out this summer, I would 18 submit it does not go straight -- does not adopt Judge 19 McKelvie's position identically. What Judge McKelvie has 20 done is looked at precisely what Dyson is looking for here, 21 and that is litigation documents such as strategy documents 22 that are not in the form of an opinion of counsel or 23 actually providing advice regarding infringement or 24 invalidity. So if a document merely mentions 25 noninfringement or infringement or invalidity or validity or</p>

Exhibit C

DISCOVERY DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Discovery Disputes: Should counsel find they are unable to resolve a discovery or scheduling matter, a representative from each party in the matter shall be on the line when contacting chambers at (302) 573-6470 to schedule a teleconference. Not less than forty-eight hours prior to the teleconference, the parties shall file with the court, via electronic means (CM/ECF), a joint, non-argumentative letter agenda not to exceed two (2) pages in length, exclusive of exhibits, outlining the issue(s) in contention. After the parties have had three (3) discovery teleconferences, they will be required to file a joint letter showing good cause why the court should permit a fourth discovery teleconference.

Exhibit D

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<p>3</p> <p>1 Durchslag from Winston & Strawn. We are representing Maytag 2 and Hoover in this matter. With me in Chicago is Ron 3 Rothstein, who will be addressing Point No. 1, in addition, 4 Lisa Parker, who will be addressing Point No. 2. In my New 5 York office is Tony DiSarro, who will be addressing Point 6 No. --</p> <p>7 THE COURT: We will get to it when we get to it, 8 counsel.</p> <p>9 MR. DURCHSLAG: In addition, Your Honor, Frank 10 DiGiovanni, local counsel, who is on the line as well.</p> <p>11 MR. DIGIOVANNI: Good morning, Your Honor.</p> <p>12 THE COURT: Good morning. 13 Has everybody been introduced?</p> <p>14 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Mr. Weber is also on the 15 line.</p> <p>16 MR. WEBER: Ray Weber representing 17 Maytag/Hoover.</p> <p>18 THE COURT: I have a motion filed by Dyson 19 styled as a Motion For Reargument Of The Court's Telephone 20 Ruling Denying Dyson's Request For Discovery Regarding 21 Maytag's No Loss Of Suction Claims. It is filed at Docket 22 Item 209. It is filed over the signature of local counsel. 23 Specifically, who signed this one?</p> <p>24 MR. SHAW: I may have, Your Honor.</p> <p>25 THE COURT: Mr. Shaw, you should know that this</p>	<p>5</p> <p>1 approach to take, and henceforth shall not be taken. Is 2 that understood?</p> <p>3 MR. SHAW: It is, Your Honor.</p> <p>4 THE COURT: All right. I am going to strike the 5 motion from the docket.</p> <p>6 Let's get on with the letter and start out with 7 the first item under Defendant/Counterclaimant's issues.</p> <p>8 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Thank you, Your Honor.</p> <p>9 Since we are representing the plaintiff in this matter, let 10 me turn this matter over to my partner, Ron Rothstein, who 11 will address the first point.</p> <p>12 MR. ROTHSTEIN: Thank you, Your Honor.</p> <p>13 The first issue has to do with the waiver of the 14 attorney-client privilege. I think the issue breaks down 15 into four parts. If you would like, I can give you those 16 four parts right now and we can then deal with them in 17 order.</p> <p>18 THE COURT: Go ahead.</p> <p>19 MR. ROTHSTEIN: The first is did Dyson waive the 20 attorney-client and work product privileges by designating 21 James Widdowson, an expert witness, on documents he 22 considered in connection with the report he furnished under 23 Rule 26(a)(2)(B) of the Federal Rules?</p> <p>24 The second is does Dyson have the option of 25 designating Mr. Widdowson as an expert not subject to the</p>

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C.A. No. 05-434-GMS

Dear Judge Sleet:

In anticipation of the discovery teleconference scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 2007 at 10:30 a.m. (EST) in the above matter, the parties jointly submit the following items to be presented to the Court:

Plaintiffs' Issues:

1. Discovery related to possible substitution of a party
2. Date certain for Maytag to answer Dyson's Interrogatory No. 11
3. Date certain for Maytag to comply with December 7, 2006 Order on attorney-client privilege waiver
4. Reconsideration of the Court's decision on discoverability of Maytag's claim substantiation
5. Guidance as to the cut-off and scope of expert discovery:

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- (a) Propriety of late-disclosed expert reports, new expert testing and related discovery issues


Defendant/Counterclaimant's Issues

1. Third party discovery in the U.K. (Dyson ad agencies)
2. Third party discovery in Germany (a company that performs testing for Dyson)
3. Production of documents by Dyson on the following topics:
 - (a) Blockage issues relating to Dyson's DC07 upright vacuum.
 - (b) Advertisements/infomercials for Dyson's upright vacuums sold in the United States.
 - (c) Dyson's advertising submissions to Sears, Sales Today Magazine, and Best Buy Toolkit.
 - (d) NAD challenges concerning Dyson (including one involving Euro-Pro).
 - (e) Dyson vacuums that were returned or repaired due to the classification of "other."
 - (f) Dyson's internal test methods or DTMs (including that relating to clogging).
 - (g) Filters and Dyson's in-home testing of its upright vacuums.

Joint Issues

1. Discovery related to IBR
2. Scheduling of depositions extending beyond the Court's deadline
3. The Court's practice in handling Daubert issues, and specifically whether such motions count against the motions in limine limit of five.

Respectfully submitted,



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2 IN AND FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE

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4 DYSON TECHNOLOGY LIMITED : Civil Action
and DYSON, INC., :

5 Plaintiffs, :

6 v. :

7 MAYTAG CORPORATION, :

8 Defendant. :

No. 05-434 (GMS)

9
10 Wilmington, Delaware

11 Tuesday, February 20, 2007, and Wednesday, February 21, 2007

12 10:30 a.m.

13 Telephone Conference

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20 THE COURT: Counsel, good morning. Who is on
21 the line today for Dyson?

22 MR. FLINN: Good morning, Your Honor. Barr
23 Flinn from Young Conaway. I have with me my colleague,
24 Monte Squire. Also, I will introduce my co-counsel. We
25 have Rick Pepperman from Sullivan & Cromwell. We have Steve
Reich, John Libby, Tamar Feder, Chris Cole and Greg Clarick
from Manatt Phelps & Phillips.

THE COURT: Good morning, counsel.

For the defendant Maytag.

MR. DiGIOVANNI: Your Honor, Frank DiGiovanni
from Connolly Bove. My co-counsel in Chicago are Steve

1 testimonial time, if it is going to be testimony.

2 MR. REICH: So we can fold that into our
3 calculus in conducting the PTC.

4 THE COURT: I think that completes all of the
5 issues except for Plaintiff's Issue No. 4. Is that correct?

6 UNIDENTIFIED SPEAKER: Yes, except for that one,
7 Your Honor.

8 THE COURT: I am not in the habit of
9 reconsidering my rulings that I issued or announced during a
10 telconference of this nature. I guess that what you are
11 saying is I made a ruling concerning something called the
12 discoverability of Maytag's claim substantiation during a
13 previous discovery conference?

14 MR. REICH: Yes, Your Honor. Your Honor, I am
15 not in the habit of filing motions for reconsideration. But
16 when there is an issue that is significant that I think the
17 Court ought to take another look at, that is why we
18 proceeded the way we did and that's why we brought it to
19 Your Honor's attention.

20 Let me just briefly put it into context.

21 The case that you have in front of you now
22 focuses on defense claims that its vacuum cleaner doesn't
23 lose suction. That is sort of the core claim that is being
24 attacked by Maytag in this litigation. And it's the core of
25 what is going to be tried before Your Honor and to a jury.

1 Maytag has its own vacuum cleaner products, two
2 of them. One of them is called the Hoover Fusion.

3 With respect to the Hoover Fusion, Maytag also
4 makes a no loss of suction claim.

5 Here is the basic point that we make, Your
6 Honor. In attacking our no loss of suction claim, namely,
7 Dyson's, they are going to attack the kind of testing that
8 we do and they are going to claim that the substantiation we
9 do for our no loss of suction claim is insufficient.

10 As part of our defense, we want to be able to
11 show that our testing is reasonable according to practice in
12 the industry. In other words, what the industry standard
13 is. And we think that as part of showing what the industry
14 standard is, we should be able to get discovery and put in
15 front of the jury how they test their no loss of suction
16 claim because it is essentially the same claim we make. And
17 it seems to us, Your Honor, that if our testing is in accord
18 with industry standards, then this claim that we make would
19 not violate the Lanham Act.

20 The problem that I have is from a very practical
21 perspective, if Your Honor doesn't allow this discovery,
22 essentially, the jury is going to be presented with a
23 picture of our testing, and will not be able to put into
24 context the reasonableness of the testing and the
25 reasonableness of our reliance on that testing.

1 We believe that if the jury heard that Hoover
2 itself tests an almost identical claim in a similar way,
3 that the jury would be able to contextualize and give weight
4 to reasonableness of our testing.

5 That is why we wanted the discovery. And, Your
6 Honor ruled that we weren't entitled to it and we have now
7 brought it back to Your Honor, because we think there is
8 case law in the Third Circuit that talks about the relevance
9 of industry practice in this kind of case.

10 THE COURT: Who is going to handle this?

11 MR. DURCHSLAG: I would like to bring Mr.
12 Rothstein on if I could, who argued this -- he is over at
13 Manatt's offices at the present time -- if I might. We are
14 trying to get him on the other line right now.

15 THE COURT: He didn't get a chance to hear Mr.
16 Reich.

17 MR. DURCHSLAG: I know that, Your Honor. I will
18 certainly proceed in the interim.

19 He is defending a deposition brought at Manatt
20 Phelps by Mr. Cole on this very case that was scheduled at
21 9:00 this morning -- 9:30.

22 I will address it.

23 THE COURT: I think you should, Mr. Durchslag.

24 MR. DURCHSLAG: This case was brought in 2005,
25 in June of 2005, by Dyson. We in August of 2005 filed a

1 counterclaim, indicating the issue that their advertising
2 was false in the loss of suction response to their patent
3 claim.

4 A year later, they went to New York, before the
5 New York Court in August 2006, claiming that our no loss of
6 suction was false even though it was a different claim under
7 different bases. They raised in their briefs as to why they
8 were entitled to be in New York, that it was specifically
9 necessary for them to deal with our testing, with their
10 testing in the Delaware case because under the Lanham Act,
11 as was argued and as we indicated in our brief, is the only
12 standard is the reasonableness of their test. And in their
13 lawsuit, the counterclaim that has now been transferred to
14 Your Honor, it is the reasonableness of our test.

15 So it is a completely different standard and
16 claim.

17 From a delay point of view, this is a year after
18 this issue was raised. They still have yet to raise a
19 counterclaim. Instead, they are pursuing a separate action
20 in Delaware. Their own, if I can quote from their brief,
21 Your Honor, they specifically say in their brief that there
22 is no need to try these cases on the same basis because they
23 are different standards as to our advertising being
24 legitimate standards. And as far as the industry norm goes,
25 the industry norm, they can use industry to defend, they

1 have the wealth of industry practices before them in that
2 case and in this case.

3 Our advertising is not at issue. It is far
4 later in the material. It is a far different claim.

5 We have a claim qualified. It is not in a
6 comparative context, the way theirs is. They admitted all
7 that in the briefing schedule we have given to Your Honor
8 when they raised this as a separate motion.

9 To come back at this very late date and claim
10 they are entitled to our advertising when it is different
11 standards, when it is their advertising that is in question
12 and will be before Your Honor in the case that they elected
13 to bring a year later, seems to us a total abuse of the
14 judicial process.

15 MR. DiSARRO: Your Honor, Anthony DiSarro on
16 behalf of Maytag. May I also be heard on this issue?

17 THE COURT: You have just joined us?

18 MR. DiSARRO: No. I have been on from the
19 beginning.

20 THE COURT: Go ahead.

21 MR. DiSARRO: I think the rules and case law
22 makes clear that motions for reconsideration should be
23 reserved for instances where perhaps a nuance was not
24 perceived by the Court or an issue was not raised the first
25 time around.

1 But I have the transcript from the original
2 session, at which this was argued on December 7th. And I
3 can read it into the record. But Mr. Reich's argument then
4 was identical to the one he just made now. And Your Honor
5 heard it, and denied the request.

6 So I don't even think this qualified for a
7 motion for reconsideration, because the very argument Mr.
8 Reich made now he made back in December.

9 THE COURT: Counsel, I think you are right. We
10 are going to leave it there.

11 Anything else?

12 MR. DURCHSLAG: I think that concludes things
13 from our end.

14 THE COURT: Mr. Reich.

15 MR. REICH: Your Honor, can I just make two
16 seconds of a record?

17 THE COURT: No. On this motion for
18 reconsideration issue?

19 MR. REICH: Yes.

20 THE COURT: No. It's done. I agree with the
21 other side. I have ruled. I am not going to take
22 everyone's time up having him read into this transcript the
23 transcript from the other hearing. It's not time-efficient
24 in my view. I am sure that I fully considered the issue. I
25 recollect that I did at the time. I have heard nothing to

1 cause me to change my view.

2 I don't think you meet the standards for a
3 motion to reconsider. They are disfavored in this district.
4 Regardless of what you say the Third Circuit says, it is not
5 that I am unwilling to, obviously, to be guided and to
6 follow the Superior Court, but I believe you probably raised
7 that and I think you did at the time.

8 That is as much as I feel I need to say under
9 the circumstances.

10 So the answer is no.

11 Okay?

12 MR. REICH: The record is what the record is,
13 Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: That is right, Mr. Reich.

15 Anything else?

16 MR. REICH: No, Your Honor.

17 THE COURT: Take care, counsel.

18 (Teleconference concluded at 10:45 a.m.)

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20 Reporter: Kevin Maurer

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